UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT DISTRICT OF VERMONT

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> CLERK'S ANNOUNCEMENT 03-105

TO: Court Users

FROM: Thomas J. Hart

DATE: October 16, 2003

RE: Revised Bankruptcy Fee Schedule

Several bankruptcy court fees will increase as of November 1, 2003. The revised miscellaneous fee schedule is attached. Highlights include:

- ► The filing fee in all chapters will increase by \$9.00.
- ► The filing fee for motions to terminate, annul, modify, or condition the automatic stay (i.e. a Motion for Relief from Stay) increases from \$75.00 to \$150.00.
- ► The filing fee for an appeal increases from \$105.00 to \$255.00.
- ▶ The fee to amend a debtor's schedules of creditors, lists of creditors, matrix, or mailing lists increases from \$20 to \$26. Please note that a newly added provision states that no fee is required when the nature of the amendment is to change the address of a creditor or an attorney for a creditor listed on the schedules or to add the name and address of an attorney for a listed creditor.

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BANKRUPTCY COURT FEES¹ QUICK REFERENCE Effective November 1, 2003

Filing Fees

Filing Fees	
Petitions ²	
Chapter 7	\$209.00
Chapter 9	\$839.00
Chapter 11 (non-railroad)	\$839.00
Chapter 12	\$239.00
Chapter 13	\$194.00
Adversary Proceeding	\$150.00
Notice of Removal	\$150.00
Ancillary Proceeding	Same as Chapter 11
Appeals	
Appeal	\$255.00
Cross Appeal	\$255.00
Motions	
Relief from Stay (No fee due if stipulated)	\$150.00
Split a Case: Chapter 7 Chapter 11 Chapter 12 Chapter 13	\$155.00 \$800.00 \$200.00 \$155.00
Convert a Case to Chapter 7	\$15.00
Convert Chapter 7 or 13 to Chapter 11	\$645.00

¹The Clerk accepts cash, checks, money orders, American Express, VISA, MasterCard, Discover/Novus, and Diners Club International. Debtors' personal checks and credit cards are not accepted when filing a petition. Third-party checks are not accepted. A voluntary petition by an individual or an individual and spouse may be paid in no more than four (4) installments, upon application to the Court.

² The fee for filing a petition consists of a filing fee, an administrative fee, and, for chapter 7 petitions, a trustee surcharge, combined here for simplicity.

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Convert Chapter 12 to Chapter 11	\$600.00
Reopen a Case: ³ Chapter 7 Chapter 9 Chapter 11 Chapter 12 Chapter 13	\$155.00 \$800.00 \$800.00 \$200.00 \$155.00
Withdraw the Reference of a Case Under 28 U.S.C. 157(d)	\$150.00
Compel Abandonment	\$150.00
Miscellaneous Fees	
Amendments to Petition	
Schedules D, E, F, and/or Mailing List (matrix ⁴), or both.	\$26.00
Other Schedules	No Fee
Certification	\$9.00
Exemplifications	\$18.00
Returned Check	\$45.00
Photocopies (per page) ⁵	\$0.50
Record Retrieval from Federal Records Center	Contact Clerk's Office for Fees and Instructions
Record Search (No fee charged if the requested item can be found via the computerized docket)	\$26.00
Filing or Indexing of Miscellaneous Paper	\$39.00

³ Unless the reopening is to correct an administrative error or for actions related to the debtor's discharge. The Court may waive this fee under appropriate circumstances or may defer payment of the fee from trustees pending discovery of additional assets. If payment is deferred, the fee shall be waived if no additional assets are discovered.

⁴ No fee is charged to change the address of a listed creditor, or to add the name and address of a listed creditor's attorney.

⁵ Copies printed **by the court user** from the public access computer terminal in the Clerk's Office are \$0.10 each.